GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1248
ANSWERED ON:23.07.2002
FLOOD SITUATION IN MAHARASHTRA
CHINTAMAN NAVSHA WANAGA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware about heavy rain and flood condition in Maharashtra, particularly in the Thane District;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have taken any measure to provide relief to flood affected persons; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith amount released by the Government for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a) &(b): According to reports received from the State Government, 97 people lost their lives, over 10,000 houses were damaged and crops in 14,025 Ha. was affected because of incessant rains on the 25th, 26th and 27th of June, 2002.

(c)&(d): It is primarily the responsibility of the State Government to provide relief to the people affected by floods and the State Government of Maharashtra are reported to have taken appropriate steps for providing the relief. The State Government has made a request for additional financial assistance, and a Central Team visited Maharashtra from 4-6 July, 2002 for assessing the damage caused by floods. Central assistance, if any, will be considered keeping in view the report of the Central Team, recommendations of the Inter-Ministerial Group and the admissibility of assistance as per the norms and availability of funds with the State under CRF.